GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2283
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ISSUE OF FAKE POLLUTION CONTROL CERTIFICATE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that some factories/industrial units in the country which are causing pollution have been issued fake pollution control certificates during the last three years and current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have reviewed the functioning of agencies responsible for issuing such certificates; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and success achieved in this regard so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) No such incident has come to the notice of the Central Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)&(d) Under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the State Pollution Control Boards and the Pollution Control Committees in the Union Territories, issue consents to factories/industrial units to establish and operate the units. While issuing the consents, the State Pollution Control Boards and the Pollution Control Committees stipulate the standards and conditions which are required to be met by the industries.

In order to streamline and bring uniformity in consent mechanism, the Central Pollution Control Boardhas issued guidelines on uniform procedure for consent management to State Pollution Control Boards and the Pollution Control Committees.